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**Introduced by Senator Soto**

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An act to amend Section 2786.6 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to nursing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1642, as introduced, Soto. Nursing schools.

Existing law provides for the regulation and approval of nursing schools by the Board of Registered Nursing in the Department of Consumer Affairs.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1     SECTION 1. Section 2786.6 of the Business and Professions  
2     Code is amended to read:  
3     2786.6. The board shall deny the application for approval  
4     made by, and shall revoke the approval given to, any school of  
5     nursing ~~which~~ *that does either of the following:*  
6     (a) Does not give to student applicants credit, in the field of  
7     nursing, for previous education and the opportunity to obtain  
8     credit for other acquired knowledge by the use of challenge  
9     examinations or other methods of evaluation; ~~or,~~  
10    (b) Is operated by a community college and discriminates  
11    against an applicant for admission to a school solely on the grounds  
12    that the applicant is seeking to fulfill the units of nursing required  
13    by Section 2736.6.

1 The board shall prescribe, by regulation, the education for  
2 which credit is to be given and the amount of credit which is to be  
3 given for each type of education. The word “credit,” as used in the  
4 preceding sentence, is limited to credit for licensure only. The  
5 board is not authorized to prescribe the credit which an approved  
6 school of nursing shall give toward an academic certificate or  
7 degree.

